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## ++ IMPORTANT INFORMATION ++ Weed Abatement Program PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

In the interest of public safety, the City of Upland's Weed Abatement program is currently underway. Inspections are being conducted by City Staff, and legal notifications will be mailed by the middle of April to those properties that have an excessive overgrowth of weeds and/or rubbish accumulation. Those property owners receiving an ANNUAL NOTICE TO ABATE notification will be assessed an initial inspection fee of \$51.00. If there is no compliance within ten (10) days of the notification, a minimum of \$204.00 will be charged plus any abatement fees charged by the city contractor.

The Upland Municipal Code designates that the following conditions constitute a public nuisance requiring abatement:

"Weeds" mean vegetation which will attain such a large growth as to become a fire menace when dry, or which are otherwise noxious or dangerous, and shall include any of the following:

- 1. Weeds which bear seeds of a downy or wingy nature;
- 2. Sagebrush, chaparral and any brush or weed which may attain large growth;
- 3. Poison oak and poison ivy;
- 4. Dry grass, stubble, brush, litter or other flammable material.

"Rubbish" means and includes, but is not restricted to, all waste or debris such as paper, cardboard, grass, tree or shrub trimmings, rugs, straw, clothing, wood or wood products, crockery, glass, rubber, metal, plastic, construction waste and debris, and other similar materials

In order to eliminate any potential Weed Abatement action against your property, you should arrange for the removal of all weeds and/or rubbish. It is very important that you inspect your front, rear and side yards, all adjacent parkways (the area between the sidewalk and the curb), and any portion of your property that abuts an alley. It is very common to overlook weeds that "blossom" within the area between your fence and the alley pavement, or within adjacent yard areas at the rear of your property that are visible from the public right-of-way.

It is also very important that you maintain your property free and clear of weeds and/or rubbish conditions *throughout the year*. This requirement on public and private property is to address both safety and aesthetic issues. <u>If you have any questions please contact Sheldon Bloomfield</u>, Weed Abatement Coordinator at: (909) 931-4134.